

and the Chinese. It appears that a company of diggers were engaged by a party composed of white men and

of eyes, with exciting epithets, and also by the throwing of spears, until one of the Indians became exasperated, struck his bow and letting fly the arrow, it struck in the center of the forehead a Chinaman standing by, injuring him seriously. At this point the Chinaman put up a loud wailing cry, and the Indians, who were in the act of crossing the river, several shots were fired, one of which struck an Indian, wounded him, as was thought, mortally. We have heard many versions of the story, but this seems to be the most correct. The arrow broke and stuck fast in the forehead of the Chinaman, and the latter was so badly injured that he was unable to walk. He is the man who is being nursed in the hospital at the mission. He is the manning piece comfortable and it will probably recover.

THE WEATHER IN SONORA—INFLUENZA.—The past few days have been, says *The Bulletin*, with one or two exceptions, oppressively warm, owing in a great measure to

The fire whirlwind raged for some days on the hills that divide us from Napa. The atmosphere was so close and murky on one occasion, from smoke, that the sun could be viewed with the naked eye without inconvenience. This feverish state of the air has produced a complaint similar to the old-fashioned "Tyler Grippe," or influenza—fever, headache, sneezing, flowing of mucus from the nose, etc., being the unmistakable symptoms. Nothing is, however, in consequence. The town is otherwise perfectly healthy. Rain is now anxiously looked for, as

FIRE IN SONORA.

At 2½ o'clock this morning the building owned by Mr. Walker, and occupied by Chinese, on the corner of Dodge and Washington sts, was discovered on fire—the origin of it is as yet unknown. The buildings around it, except two, were of wood, and were soon in flames. On the west, the fire was arrested by the Hose Company before it reached Kuever & Bertine's Banker House. But even their cliff

company would not avail, but for a small fire proof building which intervened and gave them a chance to work to advantage. On the east side the Hook and Ladder Company did effective service by tearing down Woods & Purdy's paint store. There was a small vacant space between their building and the one next on the south, which space being thus increased by the Hook and Ladder Company, enabled the Horse Company to stop the fire at this point.

The following is a list of the buildings destroyed:

At a Greenwood's office, J. Hall & Co. for sewing machine, Woods & Purdy a book and paint store.

On the west side, Chinese gambling house, corner of Dodge st., grocery store, S. Hing & Co. 2314.

On the east side, a lot of small individual houses: Schuchler, 401; S. 501; Neshik & McCollough, 420; Finch & Co. 416; Lee, 418; 419; 420; 421; 422; 423; 424; 425; 426; 427; 428; 429; 430; 431; 432; 433; 434; 435; 436; 437; 438; 439; 440; 441; 442; 443; 444; 445; 446; 447; 448; 449; 450; 451; 452; 453; 454; 455; 456; 457; 458; 459; 460; 461; 462; 463; 464; 465; 466; 467; 468; 469; 470; 471; 472; 473; 474; 475; 476; 477; 478; 479; 480; 481; 482; 483; 484; 485; 486; 487; 488; 489; 490; 491; 492; 493; 494; 495; 496; 497; 498; 499; 500; 501; 502; 503; 504; 505; 506; 507; 508; 509; 510; 511; 512; 513; 514; 515; 516; 517; 518; 519; 520; 521; 522; 523; 524; 525; 526; 527; 528; 529; 530; 531; 532; 533; 534; 535; 536; 537; 538; 539; 540; 541; 542; 543; 544; 545; 546; 547; 548; 549; 550; 551; 552; 553; 554; 555; 556; 557; 558; 559; 560; 561; 562; 563; 564; 565; 566; 567; 568; 569; 570; 571; 572; 573; 574; 575; 576; 577; 578; 579; 580; 581; 582; 583; 584; 585; 586; 587; 588; 589; 590; 591; 592; 593; 594; 595; 596; 597; 598; 599; 600; 601; 602; 603; 604; 605; 606; 607; 608; 609; 610; 611; 612; 613; 614; 615; 616; 617; 618; 619; 620; 621; 622; 623; 624; 625; 626; 627; 628; 629; 630; 631; 632; 633; 634; 635; 636; 637; 638; 639; 640; 641; 642; 643; 644; 645; 646; 647; 648; 649; 650; 651; 652; 653; 654; 655; 656; 657; 658; 659; 660; 661; 662; 663; 664; 665; 666; 667; 668; 669; 670; 671; 672; 673; 674; 675; 676; 677; 678; 679; 680; 681; 682; 683; 684; 685; 686; 687; 688; 689; 690; 691; 692; 693; 694; 695; 696; 697; 698; 699; 700; 701; 702; 703; 704; 705; 706; 707; 708; 709; 710; 711; 712; 713; 714; 715; 716; 717; 718; 719; 720; 721; 722; 723; 724; 725; 726; 727; 728; 729; 730; 731; 732; 733; 734; 735; 736; 737; 738; 739; 740; 741; 742; 743; 744; 745; 746; 747; 748; 749; 750; 751; 752; 753; 754; 755; 756; 757; 758; 759; 760; 761; 762; 763; 764; 765; 766; 767; 768; 769; 770; 771; 772; 773; 774; 775; 776; 777; 778; 779; 780; 781; 782; 783; 784; 785; 786; 787; 788; 789; 790; 791; 792; 793; 794; 795; 796; 797; 798; 799; 800; 801; 802; 803; 804; 805; 806; 807; 808; 809; 810; 811; 812; 813; 814; 815; 816; 817; 818; 819; 820; 821; 822; 823; 824; 825; 826; 827; 828; 829; 830; 831; 832; 833; 834; 835; 836; 837; 838; 839; 840; 841; 842; 843; 844; 845; 846; 847; 848; 849; 850; 851; 852; 853; 854; 855; 856; 857; 858; 859; 860; 861; 862; 863; 864; 865; 866; 867; 868; 869; 870; 871; 872; 873; 874; 875; 876; 877; 878; 879; 880; 881; 882; 883; 884; 885; 886; 887; 888; 889; 890; 891; 892; 893; 894; 895; 896; 897; 898; 899; 900; 901; 902; 903; 904; 905; 906; 907; 908; 909; 910; 911; 912; 913; 914; 915; 916; 917; 918; 919; 920; 921; 922; 923; 924; 925; 926; 927; 928; 929; 930; 931; 932; 933; 934; 935; 936; 937; 938; 939; 940; 941; 942; 943; 944; 945; 946; 947; 948; 949; 950; 951; 952; 953; 954; 955; 956; 957; 958; 959; 960; 961; 962; 963; 964; 965; 966; 967; 968; 969; 970; 971; 972; 973; 974; 975; 976; 977; 978; 979; 980; 981; 982; 983; 984; 985; 986; 987; 988; 989; 990; 991; 992; 993; 994; 995; 996; 997; 998; 999; 1000.

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Several San Joaquin River fishermen who were on a visit to the place rendered assistance.

AGRICULTURE IN THE RED HILLS.—Col. Benoit of the Forty Mile House, El Dorado Co., has informed *The Sacramento Journal* that the experiment made this season in the cultivation of the red lands of the foot hills of the Sierra has been very successful. He has, without irrigation, raised 30 acres of barley and 100 acres of wheat. The yield of the red lands also appear to be perfectly adapted to the cultivation of beets and turnips, of which he has heavy crops. The potatoes planted on this soil do not thrive as well as other excellent roots. Those raised this season are small in size and of a poor quality. The successful nature of the summer experiment, however, is a very encouraging one, and the expectation

The migration through the Sonora Pass.—It is said that 350 wagons, 2,275 individuals, and 15,000 head of cattle have been during the present season. A few of them passed through to San Jose Valley, but the greater portion of them are settled or are about to settle in the valley of the San Joaquin. The new pass requires no expenditure of money, and is open to all who wish to pass any way through the Sierra Nevada. The people of Stockton are much interested in rendering this route attractive to immigrants, and they are therefore called upon to contribute material aid for its improvement.

RIVER DIGGINGS.—The yield on Feather River this season has established its right to compete with any river in the State. At White Rock, says *The Graceland Express*, "the water is so shallow that the diggers are doing the best of their best portions of their claims have not been reached. At Siler, Union and Cove claims, about

three miles above, the average for the past five days has been from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars a day. Those of our citizens owning shares in the claims, it may readily be imagined, wear smiling faces.

STOCKTON.—*The Journal* says that Tuesday last was the busiest day ever known in the history of Stockton. The levee was crowded, piled up with goods, while numbers of drays, wagons, carts, hand carts, and teams of all kinds of animals worked back and forth in vain attempts to reduce the accumulating pile of dry goods, groceries, lumber, poultry, pigs, peaches, Chinamen and other fancy firms.

HEALTH OF STOCKTON.—The health of Stockton, says *The Journal*, is never better than at present, so many

have been seized with the chills and fever lately. There is scarcely a citizen in town but who has felt the effects of the present untoward weather, and many are the homes whose frames have shaken to the tune of a decided chill.

FROM THE SOUTH.

We have received *The Los Angeles Star* of November 15, one week later.

The *Star* takes a strong ground against the election of a United States Senator this winter. It says:

The election of Senator Gwin expires in March, 1855, and according to the usual course of events, his successor would be chosen by the Legislature which meets next June. But the usual course of events in California is of a very uncertain character. It seems an effort is to be made this winter in favor of some greedy aspirant whose friends either for the result of a popular election held with reference to the selection of a Senator, or for some other reason, have determined to forestall the public opinion and bring the election on this winter. Now, we don't know that we understand those things fully.

There may be good and sufficient reasons for the course intended; but it seems to us too much like a trick, and such trickery is despicable. In a matter of so much importance to the people, let us have open, honorable, high-minded dealing. There is neither expediency, necessity, nor wisdom in seizing upon this office—the most exalted in the nation—before the time. Let us, the people, have a chance to canvass and express our sentiments upon the merits of those who aspire to this high honor. And when the time comes, let a man be chosen who will guard the

We take the following items of news from *The Star* of November 5.

A NEW PAIR IN THE COAST RANGE.—One of the exploring parties detailed from the Pacific Railroad Surveying Expedition, under Capt. Williamson, arrived in town on Monday. This party is under the direction of Mr.

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By these requisitions, it is pronounced to be one of the most suitable localities for that purpose that could have been found in all the southern portion of the State, for its many advantages. And it seems to be a place where the Indians are disposed to settle, and where their position presenting on all sides barriers against the encroachments of the whites. The climate is healthy and the soil is surprisingly fertile.

Superintendent of Reale is now on his way to the Tolon, with several wagons loaded with farming implements, etc., where he intends to make a visit, and to see the red men the present season. He understands that it is his intention to bring to the various tribes, from as far north as the Yuba and Feather Rivers, and settle them at the

A large shipment of grain has been received at San Pedro, which will be immediately forwarded to that point. Besides this a lot of beef cattle will be started in a few days from this vicinity, to meet the wants of the many tribes immigrating there.

— Lt. Beale, we understand, is expected to arrive in this city in about fifteen days. From hence, in company with B. D. Wilson, Esq., Indian Agent, he will go to select a suitable reserve for the Indians of Los Angeles, San Diego and San Bernardino Counties. Those arrangements will